तथा गर्भवती महिलाओं को डिस्पोजेबल प्रसव किट (सुरक्षित प्रसव सुनिश्चित करने के लिए प्रसव के दौरान दाईयों द्वारा प्रयोग किए जाने के लिए) उपलब्ध कराने संबंधी मातृत्व परिचर्या में सुधार करना; तथा

(vii) उपस्कर और प्रशिक्षण के मामले में असम, बिहार, मध्यप्रदेश, उड़ीसा, राजस्थान और उत्तर प्रदेश के उच्च शिशु मृत्यु दर के राज्यों में उपकेन्द्रों, प्राथमिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों और सामुदायिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों को मजबूत बनाना। निराशाजनक जनांकिकीय प्रोफाइल वाले चुने गए 90 जिलों में प्राथमिक स्वास्थ्य केन्द्रों को, अतिरिक्त सुविधाएं प्रदान करके जिनमें पूर्ण सृजित कार्य बल भी शामिल है, सुदृढ़ बनाना।

इसके अलावा एकीकृत शिशु विकास सेवाएं भी कार्यान्वित की जा रही हैं।

Circular for Import and Sale of Cineraria Martima—A Homoeopathic Medicine

2421. SHRI SUDHIR RANJAN MAJUMDAR : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Drug Controller of India had issued a circular in 1989 laying down conditions for import and sale of Cineraria Martima—a homoeopathic medicine; and

(b) if so, the reasons for not testing it as per rules ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Sale of Kidney in India

2422. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have been a large number of cases of sale of kidney in India;

(b) whether it is also a fact that foreign nationals are also visiting India for transplantation of kidney which is being sold to them by Indian nationals;

(c) if so, the number of cases of kidney transplantation to Indian nationals and foreign nationals separately;

(d) what are the charges for sale of the kidneys by the donors; and

(e) the action Government have taken or propose to take to effectively prevent the exploitation of the poor in the sale of kidneys ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) and (b) Government have come across reports on the subject.

(c) and (d) Such details are not available with the Government, as such transplantations are being done by private hospitals.

(e) The Government have introduced a Bill namely, Transplantation of Human Organs Bill, 1992 in Rajya Sabha on 20-8-1992 and it may be considered during the current session.

Cholera Outbreak in Delhi

2423. SHRI P. UPENDRA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether there has been a large-scale break out of cholera in Delhi recently; and

(b) if so, the steps Government are taking to contain the epidemic ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) There has not been any large scale out break of Cholera in Delhi recently though the nuumber of cases reported this year is more than that of last year. A total of 1037 cases of cholera have been reported in Delhi till the end of October, 1992 as compared to 521 cases upto October during the year

1991. No death, however, has been reported. Most of the cases were reported from scattered areas and no clustering of cases was noticed.

(b) The situation was regularly reviewed by the Union Health Secretary in series of meetings held with the concerned officials. A committee was also set up under his chairmanship for this purpose.

The following measures to control water borne diseases were taken with particular emphasis in J.J. Cluster/re-settlement colonies :

1. Provision of safe drinking water in adequate quantity in all vulnerable areas.
2. Dissemination of appropriate health education through various channels.
3. Surveillance and continuous monitoring of water borne diseases.
4. Regular removal of garbage and desilting of drains.
5. Distribution of chlorine tablets and O.R.S. packets.
6. Ban on sale of exposed/cut fruits and other unhygenic food items.

Revision of Pay Scale of Pharmacists

2424. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the revision of scale of pay of Pharmacists has been pending since very long;

(b) if so, by when it would be settled; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that a Pharmacist does not get promotion during his service career and if so, what steps are being taken in order to ensure that atleast two/three promotions are given in their service career just like other Government employees ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) to (c) The matter relating to the pay scale and promotion avenues of pharmacists is under consideration of the Government.

Working time schedule of C.G.H.S. Dispensaries in Delhi/New Delhi

2425. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the time schedule for working of C.G.H.S. dispensaries in Delhi/New Delhi is not being followed; and

(b) whether random checking is being done by the Director, C.G.H.S. weekly, fortnightly or monthly and if not the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA) : (a) No, Sir.

(b) Random checking is being done by Director and Zonal Additional Directors of their respective dispensaries and Chief Medical Officers.

Ban on Polio Vaccine consignment in Bihar

2426. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that the Government of Bihar has completely banned the recent consignment of polio-vaccine received by it from the DGHS store from the Central Health Directorate, New Delhi;

(b) if so, the details and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government are also aware that the ban on polio vaccine by the State Government would abort the polio vaccination programme in the State during the current year; and

(d) if so, what remedial action Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA